western front, which has been moving were rapidly in the past five weeks, broke into full swing to-day. Widening their attacks which they have been diecting against the retreating German ector of the Somme, the British in the sector of the Somme, the British struck still further north, and he a series of assaults on a broad front, with Arras more or less the pivotal point, they drove the Germans from scores of important positions, pene-trated far into the German lines and inflicted heavy casualties.

infleted heavy casualties.

A visit to corps headquarters this afternoon indicated that the number of priseners taken in the past twelve hours will exceed 5,000. The barbed wire crages," or compounds, built to receive priseners which were expected to be taken were overcrowdwed long before some although the principal attack did en, although the principal attack did

non, although the principal attack did not begin until shortly after dawn. The heaviest fighting to-day devel-eped along a line a few miles southeast of Arras in a northerly direction to the neighborhood of Lens, but the actions extended far in the direction of St. Quentin. In the territory captured to-day was the famous Vimy Ridge, which had been fought over time and time again ever since the war was ten months again ever since the war was ten months old. The French had fought desperately in an endeavor to wrest this vantage ound from the Germans, the battles ting both beiligerents heavy, the ses of the French being estimated 100,000. Back of the northern end at 100,000. of Vimy Ridge lie the principal coal fields of France, which are still in Ger-

The fighting on Vimy Ridge was carcled out by the Canadians, who had re-tained a footing on the ridge all winter, but always higher up was the enemy. On either side of the Canadians were English and Scottish battalions, and in to-day's battle there was glory enough for all. The irrepressible "tanks" als shared in the honors of the successful

One position captured to the north east of Arras was a sort of labyrinth of trenches comeshed in multiple bands of wire, called "the harp" because of its shape. Prisoners had proclaimed this sweeping over it to-day, the British took swerping over it to-day, the British took rearly a thousand prisoners, including sweral German battalion commanders who compared in rank with Colonel in the British army. The Canadians took

tacking line that the Germans appeared to have been taken by surprise, and only in a few instances did they put up a One reason for this was that they had been fairly dazed by the

Panoramic View of Attack.

From the high ground overlooking Arras a panoramic view for many miles of the British attack was presented. The concentration of guns for this operation was probably the greatest for a given amount of front since the war began. Almost countless guns had taken part in the bombardment since the beginning. but it was not until last night that many masked batteries joined in the

Approaching the battlefield well before dawn, the reflection of the gun flashes against the low hanging clouds gave the inevitable impression of a continuous play of sheet lightning along the horizon. The guns were playing upon the ridges looming up in the distance enveloped in darkness, upon which lay the German lines. There was as yet no alarm. The Germanis had become accustomed to re-ceive "strafes" from the British, and they were sending up only routine star shells and trench flares. As dawn approached the British bat-

teries one by one became strangely silent. For haif an hour the stillness was almost oppressive. The hot pit Sashes disappeared. All this time, however, the German star shells and flares were ascending with the same monotonous regularity which marks the German positions along the entire front. A stinging gale delayed the coming of dawn to such an extent that it was dark when the moment set for the British when the moment set for the British attack arrived.

Gunfire Rocks the Earth.

Then, as if the myriad of guns had een synchronized to the tick of a watch tacy broke the forchoding stillness with a volcanic roar. The earth trembled from the stock. The licking tongues of the inferno appeared now to have been multiplied a hundredfold. The objective Mila began to writhe under the tortures of the screaming shells. The dark pro-fies of the ridges, etched against the background of the graying skies, were now more clearly defined by the high explosive missiles, which burst along the ground like flaring pots of fire. Above these, in the air, played the shrapnel barrage shells breaking with giant frebarrage shells, breaking with giant fire-fly flashes and hurling their leaden hall death on all below.

of death on all below.

The first volley scarce had reached the German lines when up went the ever ready signals of distress and S O S calls for assistance from the supporting artillery. Most of the distress rockets burst in great showers of golden rain; others looped high in the air and broke into flaming balls of red and green. If was difficult to realize that this was not was difficult to realize that this was not simply a stupendous, almost supernatu-ial proteinia spectacle arranged for the bearure of the gods. It was more diffi-cult still to realize that it was actual feality of war and that the thousands of and quick flames playing in the sece funeral torches lighting the the of souls into eternity.

lland to Hand Fighting.

from the moment the great crater pred along the horizon the whole is seemed red. Under the glare of capitoding mines, which had been



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GREAT NEW BATTLE

dug under the enemy lines, and out under the shells, could be seen British soldiers trudging across No Man's Land to a hand to hand encounter with the Germans. They moved closely behind the protecting shell curtain sent up by their guns.

Heaviest Fighting Occurs As this barrier fire moved forward the men kept pace. It will ever be an amazing feature of this war the absolutely cold valor with which the men go into action. Never the old shouting or the impulsive rush to victory-just siow, deliberate trudge, not more than two or three men grouped and each silent with his own thoughts until acoTANKS" SCORE SUCCESS tual fighting with the hitherto unseen for begins. Then it is a quick surneder, a shot or a bayonet thrust and the attacking wave moves on.

Labyrinth of Trenches Known as "The Harp" Taken by the British.

The coming of day changed the magic picture of night completely and with almost naked suddenness. Now the horizon was dull with accumulated smoke. Shells which had burst into pillars of fire by night now appeared as black fountains springing from the earth. There was an occasional flash to the shrapped burst, but generally they flew in merely as puff balls of smoke. The roar, however, was always the same.

BRITISH IN SMASH TO AID RUSSIA OR ITALY

be premonitory of a tremendous offensive declares that unity in the labor move on the western front. The British have gained important ground, but the significance of the situation is debatable. Many observers believe the British are making persist in the defence of the fatherland the present smash in order to prevent the more so "as the last neutral great the present smash in order to prevent the Germans moving too many troops eastward to attack Russia.

of the Somme was started last year to relieve Verdun, so many military critics least the same measure as Chancellor now believe that the present offensive is to prevent a German concentration "We are here faced with a break by

now believe that the present offensive is to prevent a German concentration against either Russia or Italy.

The British and French feel completely confident of their strength in France and Flanders, and Italy is regarded as able to take care of herself. In a fortnight at most, it is expected, it will develop where Germany expects to make the present of the property of this content of the property of the proper make her supreme military effort this

ALLIES' CUT RATES DISCUSSED. Washington Said to Have Taken

Up Prices on Manitions. Plans for Government regulation of prices on orders to be placed in this country by the Allies are being consid-ered in Washington, according to advices received from Washington yester-day by several important banking houses. The plans include the purchastions and other supplies at cost, plus a net profit of from 8 to 10 per cent. The saving to the Allies under the plan would run into the hundreds of

ing would have been about \$104,000,000.

It is estimated that the difference on copper purchased here by the Alfles would be about \$140,000,000 annually.

AMERICA TO PLAY BIG ROLE. Russian Premier Sava U. S. Action

Makes Victory Certain. PETROGRAD, April 9 .- Premier Lvoff. ommenting on America's entrance into

"We interpret it as foreshadowing full and solid action with the Allies and as removing the last doubts of victory. I am convinced that it will materially hasten the final triumph of the Allies.

RESURRECTION OF PRUSSIA HAILED

Socialist Organ "Vorwaerts" Bids Labor to Stand by Kaiser.

PRAISES REFORM STEP

"Kreuz Zeitung" Strikes Discordant Note Regarding Easter Message.

THE HAGUE, via London, April 9 .in merely as puff balls of smoke. The roar, however, was always the same. The sun broke through the clouds just before noon, as the British were breakpaper which expresses dissatisfaction is the Rreus Zeitung, which finds little consolation in the fact that the execution of the reform proposal is postponed. tion of the reform proposal is postponed until after the war, as it believes the Chancellor should not now halt on the path of the complete democratization of

AID RUSSIA OR ITALY

Great Activity in West to Prevent German Diversion.

Special Cable Despatch to Tas Sun.
London, April 9.—As foretold, the intense aerial activity in France proved to be premonitory of a tremendous offensive declares that unity in the labor movement is more necessary than ever, and finally draws the moral that for the suc-cess of the people's movement it is ab-solutely essential that labor steadfastly Power has now openly entered the rank

"The monarch himself guarantees the Italy also has been insisting that the Germans intended to attack her in a kind of new Verdun effort unless a change, to intrust no one with the great diversion were created. The battle leadership of Prussian State affairs who

After incidentally arguing that equal

suffrage, not a graduated, plural vote, must logically have been meant by the message, the *Vorwaerts* continues: "It is therefore more necessary than ever for the labor movement to stand unitedly, its members shoulder to shoulder; and just as necessary is it for the victory of the people's movement that labor hold fast solidly in the country's defence. The foreign situation requires this attitude more than ever. Without being in the least menaced by us, without the slightest necessity, the 'peace able American people' have declared war upon us in the cold blooded vote of a parliament that has chosen the of prices as fixed by the United States of a parliament that has chosen the of prices as fixed by the United States of a parliament that has chosen the Government and the purchase of munislogan of a war of peace. And yet they dare speak of us there as the dangerous of the world war, while they

themselves make war for the millions i plan would run into the hundreds of millions. Exports of steel last year by one company alone amounted to 2,600, one company alone amounted to 2,600, to the Emperor for his resolute interventing would have been about \$104,000,000.

It is estimated that the difference on company numbers of the American war purveys "All mature minded politicians will be grateful to the Emperor for his resolute intervention in the unsavory conflict of recent months. Abroad as at home this measurement was here by the Alless sage will have a useful effect. There can be no interference in our affairs so long as we have a strong monarch, sure peror can with assurance place his trust in every German. The German people stand behind him and his Field Marshal

and behind no others.' Theodor Wolf, in the Togeblatt, says that President Wilson in his message pointed out that America was not hostile to the German people, but only to the Prussian autocracy and to non-respon-sible government, which was the natural

rom a political standpoint it guarantees a satisfactory and lasting solution of the world problems which will arise democracy from the Imperial Government, when the hour of peace negotiations strikes.

"We look ferward with confidence to the prospect of fighting side by side with America. All the more so because our domestic situation is rapidly improving."

The President drew a line sparating democracy from the Imperial Government, and gave the figure and gave the figure and gave the figure and figure and must remain the masters of their own house. Secret, direct suffrage is

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hot iron, but some look sick without it.

Jo penbs Jameya and 'papeford mou some form of plural voting is contemplated, the message does not say. For the parties of the Left only equal suffered to the parties of the left only equal suffered to the parties of the left only equal suffered to the left of the left rage can be acceptable since any plural system which again favored the proper-tied or so-called educated classes would cause new inequalities and provoke fresh

"The refashioning of the form of gov- Entrance of United States in The refamilianing of the form of government of the German empire is becoming daily more imperative. The way is clear for that cooperation and coresponsibility of the people's representatives which is known everywhere but in Germany. It is a fallacy to believe we can do without a parliamentary regime Problem.

or conduct a sound foreign policy in a country with its institutions of state so different from those of other nations as to create an atmosphere of strangeness, but it is equally a fallacy to see in such a refashioning a weakening of the monarchical idea."

6,000 GERMANS ARE TAKEN BY BRITISH

Continued from First Page.

this front, including Vimy Ridge, which was carried by the Canadian troops, were captured early in the morning. These defences comprise a network of trenches and fortified localities—Neuville Vitasse, Telegraph Hill, Tilloy-lez-Mofflaines, Observation Ridge, St. Laurent-Bangy, Les Tilleuls and La Folie farm.

and La Folie farm.
Subsequently our troops moved forward and captured the enemy's rearward defences, including, in addition to other powerful trench systems, the fortified localities of Feuchy, Chapelle de Feuchy, Hyderbad redoubt, Athles and Thelius.

5,816 Prisoners Counted.

Up to 2 P. M. 5,816 prisoners, including 119 officers, passed through the stations, and many more remain to be counted. Of these a large number be-long to the Bavarian divisions, who have suffered heavy casualties in to-

day's fighting.

The captured war material includes guns and a number of trench mortars and machine guns, which have not yet been counted.

been counted.

In the direction of Cambrai further progress has been made in the neighborhood of Havrincourt wood. We have captured the village of Demicourt. (This fighting is generally eight miles southwest of the city of Cambrai, on the edge of the plain of Cambrai.)

Cambrai.)
In the direction of St. Quentin we captured the villages of Pontru and Le Verguier (five and seven miles northwest of the city).
The aerial activity of the past few days has continued with great energy. Several successful bombing raids were carried out by us, our machines coperating with our artillery with expending with our artillery with exoperating with our artillery with ex-cellent results. Two hostile machines were destroyed and fifteen others were driven down, and probably crashed. German kite balloons brought down in flames. Ten of our

Attack on Wide Front. British day statement: We attacked at 5:30 o'clock this morning on

wide front from south of Arras to south of Lens. Our troops have everywhere penetrated the enemy's lines and are making satisfactory progress at all points.

In the direction of Cambral we stormed the villages of Hermies and

Boursies and have penetrated into Havrincourt Wood.

In the direction of St. Quentin we captured Freenoy is Petit and advanced our line southeast of Le Ver-

French night statement: From the Somme to the Alsne our artillery en-ergetically bombarded the German positions. The enemy counter attacked, particularly north of the Alsne and on the town of Rheims, which suffered an intense bombardment, several civilians

being killed.

Belgian—The artillery activity on both sides was less powerful than on the preceding days. It was localized in the region east of Ramscapelle.

Cables to West Indies Censored.

AROUND GERMANY

War Simplifies Blockade

Make Kaiser's Subjects World Outcasts.

Special Cable Despatch to Tan Sch continent generally are belilgerents the movement of supplies to Germany may be controlled at the source, thus making it impossible to clear cargoes for neutral States adjoining Germany unless there is absolute assurance they are not intended for German use.

This means that for the first time Germany will be literally suit of from the

cause there will be no place where they

tries. These are likely to be belligerents soon, leaving Germans all over the world without either facilities to return to Germany or even to reach neutral soil. South America is full of Germans attending to commercial relations in anticipation of the end of the war. They are largely men of standing and importance at home. A world wide internment of Germans under these conditions. tions would strengthen the peace feeling in Germany, Secause it would emphasize the fact that Germans are universal outcasts.

general agreement among the A general agreement among the American nations to cut off Germany from supplies would inflict hardship on Holland and the Scandinavian countries and complicate conditions there, increas-ing the difficulty in keeping them out of the war. Germany long has been insisting that they must trade with her on pain of being selzed and made hostages for Germany when peace comes in the

same fashion as Belgium.

The union of many nations in such a league against Germany would, however, make the blockade problem easier for the allied navies, releasing much naval power that is now employed on blockade and enabling a closer sweeping of the seas for submarines. The pessimistic crop report in the United States is analyzed as a significant sign of the times, necessitating increased vigilance to suppress the submarines.

his energies to this work.

Overflow Meeting Is Held.

Seven thousand citizens of Brooklyn filled the Academy of Music last night at a patriotic rally held under the auspices of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, and several hundred who were unable to gain admittance held an overflow meeting in the music hall.

BERLIN NEAR ISOLATION

Latin American Action Will

LONDON, April 9.—The entrance of the United States in the war opens possibili-ties of making the blockade of Germany effective as never before. It is pointed out by authorities close to the Admiralty that when the nations of the American

many will be literally out off from the rest of the world. Brazil, Argentina and Chilo are all highly important to Germany both during and after the war. The interruption of all commercial relations means the utmost difficulties for Germany. If the Latin American nations generally enter the war many thous tions generally enter the war many thou-sands of Germans now scattered about the world will have to be interned, be-

can be sent. The Germans in Brazil are reported going to other South American countries. These are likely to be belligarents

to Take Up State Work.

Regiment as a private in 1889, went three years later to the Twelfth as a Second Lieutenant and then rose rapidly. He served as Major during the Spanish The Western Union Telegraph Com- war. On the return of the regiment he

have an incalculable moral effect on

DYER HEADS HOME DEFENCE. Resigns Command of First Brigade

ALEANY, April 2.—Brevet Major-Gen. George Rathbone Dyer has been selected by Adjt.-Gen. Stotesbury as the State head of the home defence department of the Mobilization Research Bureau. He will have the organization, equipment and training of the Home Defence Corps of the various counties, and recruiting for the regular army and navy, the National Guard and the depot units. The importance of raising and operat-

ing this new force is such that Gen. Dyer has consented to resign the com-mand of the First Brigade and devote Gen. Dyer has had a thorough mill-

The golfing season is here. Many nearby links are now open to play. Old clubs are being repaired, tightened and rewound, and new clubs are being selected. Which golf ball is best is being carefully discussed. The club handicapper is greeted with an affectionate smile. And yet of all the accessories that add to the joy of the game

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7,000 AT PATRIOTIC RALLY.

ing in Broad Daylight.

LONDON, April 9 .- The loss of the Norwegian steamship Camilla, the sinking of which without warning was an-nounced on Saturday, brings up to four the number of Belgian relief ships torhall.
Supreme Court Justice Jenks presided and addresses were made by Mayor Mitchel, Senator Calder, Major Charles N. Gordon of the Forty-third Cameron Highlanders, better known by his nom de plume of Ralph Connor; George Kennan, the Rev. John L. Belford, Comptroller Prendergast and others. Both the Mayor and Major Gordon advocated sending American troops to France, the latter declaring that the Stars and Stripes on the battle front, whether they flew over 1,000,000 or 1,000 men, would have an incalculable moral effect on pedoed within four days. The ships we carrying a total of 17,000 tons of foo stuffs. The number of relief ships to pedoed since February 1 is seven. I addition to these, three were fired on an

escaped. were torpedoed without warning in broad daylight. They bore the full markings of the American Commission for Relief in Belgium and had safe conduct passes issued by the Swiss Minister in Wash-ington on behalf of the German Govern-ment. All the ships were outside the

Senator Calder spoke of his confidence in the loyalty of the large foreign born population of New York and whe country generally and indersed the Mayor's plea for universal service. The references to our duty to send troops to France were received with great applications. The following please were received with great applications. The following process to Rotterdam, thereby tying the process to receive the following process to Rotterdam, thereby tying the process to receive the following process to Rotterdam, thereby tying the process to receive the following process to Rotterdam, thereby tying the process to receive the following process to receive th Asstrian Ships Not Confiscated.

Washinoron, April 9.—In an announcement of the Government's action in seizing the Austrian ships, Secretary McAdoo made it clear that the Government of the Government's action in March. If no more ships are sunk followed that the Government of the monthly requirement of the monthly re McAdoo made it clear that the Government had not confiscated the vessels, but 120,000 tons necessary to maintain mint-had acted for the purpose of protecting mum rations. Thus in three months the them "from further injury." Religian and French populations of the mum rations. Thus in three months the Belgian and French populations of the

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occupied territories will have been de-prived of more than 270,000 tons of food as a result of Germany's submarine war.

RUSSIANS REPUISE ATTACKS.

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PETROGRAD, April 9 .- The following statement was given out to-day at the War Office:

On the Galician front there were minor attacks in the Carpathians, in the region west of Dzemdron, in the direction of Marmaroch and Signet and to the west of the town of Tom-

natik. They were repulsed.
On the Rumanian and Caucasian fronts scouting reconnaissances and rife firing occurred.



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